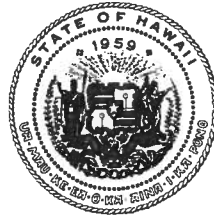


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Aloha sanctuary volunteers,

On behalf of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), I would like to thank you for volunteering your time to support the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary.

At the DLNR our mission is to: "Enhance, protect, conserve and manage Hawaii's unique and limited natural, cultural and historic resources held in public trust for current and future generations of visitors and the people of Hawaii nei in partnership with others from the public and private sectors." But we cannot do that without the help of dedicated volunteers and community members like you.

And the sanctuary – which is co-managed by NOAA and the State of Hawaii, through the DLNR – also cannot achieve its mission without your help.

As the sanctuary moves through its management review process, your role will be more invaluable than ever as we do everything we can to educate both Kama'aina and visitors about the sanctuary, the humpback whales, and the importance of all our natural resources to the people and the culture of Hawai'i.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William Aila".

William Aila  
Chairperson